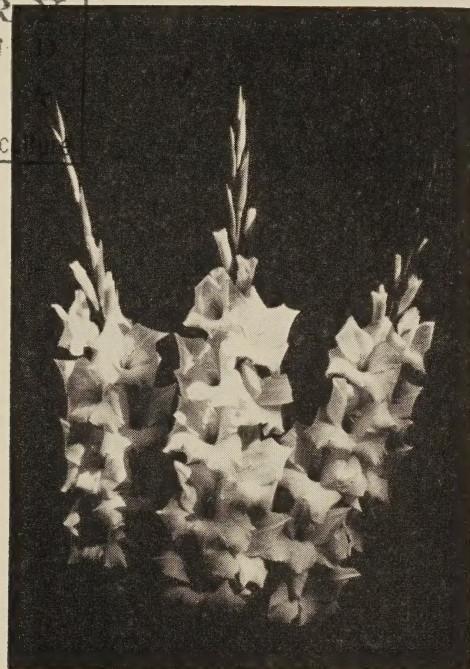
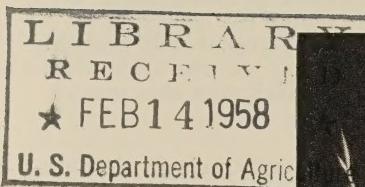


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GLADIOLUS FANCIER'S GUIDE BOOK 1958



YELLOW TRIUMPH

INCLUDING
Ohio State Gladiolus Society
Test Garden Report
of 1957 Gladiolus Trials

HERBERT O. EVANS :: SOLON, OHIO



POLAR CUB
from medium bulbs

INTRODUCTORY

AGAIN, this booklet is planned for you. It adopts your point of view. It gives you hitherto unpublished facts upon which to base your own conclusions. It is not cluttered up with fictitious values.

This is our 30th annual catalog. Without a large following of satisfied customers our business would have ceased years ago. So, of course, we thank them all.

Color value is the prime ingredient for winning sectional, divisional and higher championships in the shows. If the color does not please, why should one buy it? Even a show exhibitor will not want such a variety unless he feels the judges may be so awed by a 30" flowerhead, a 7" floret or a 26 bud spike or 12 open florets as to overlook superior color. However, since we began to break down the color item percentage-wise for specific analysis, judges in America are definitely weighing color points more and more consciously. Less and less often do the judges err by giving the nod to a spike with one more bud, one more open or with a bit longer head as against another with a color value many points its superior.

When reading "test reports" relating to new horticultural material, the background of the testing program should be understood by the reader. There are long existing, highly reputable "perpetual" horticultural organizations engaged in testing new horticultural material, including gladiolus, such as the Council of the Royal Horticultural Society (RHS) at Wisley Gardens, England, Trial Grounds of the Netherland Gladiolus Society at Haarlem, Holland, Ballarat Horticultural Gardens in Australia. The Dominion Arboretum at Ottawa is doing good work with gladiolus under the direction of A. R. Buckley. The '57 report will probably be published in one of the Ohio State Society quarterly Bulletins this year.

Warning! Our next Guide Book Catalog, 1959 and thereafter, will not contain the Ohio Society Test Report as heretofore, these last nine years. During that period our catalog has varied with issues up to 12,000 copies and from the current low of 20 pages to 48 pages and the Test Garden Report has required from 3 to 11 pages. (Almost enough information for you to estimate the cost to which we have gone to bring this Report to you.) To obtain future copies it will be necessary that you acquire the literature either of the Ohio State Gladiolus Society (annual membership currently \$1.00 or the N.E.G.S. \$4.00).

A variety has around thirty different characteristics to consider, relating to form, color, size, height, strength, substance, season, bulb health, propagation, etc. No cataloger can spare the time and space to describe them all, but we can and do report a glad's most interesting features and you may definitely assume, in the absence of specific mention of some undesirable traits, to the best of our knowledge and belief, the traits or habits not specifically mentioned are above the "satisfactory" level.

When you note a Commercial "A" rating reported in this Guidebook, you may rest assured that, under normal growing conditions the variety will have a good stem, good flowerhead, passable to superior color, good propagation, good bud separation, good access to cutting and ability to open well in water from spikes cut with but little bud color.

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To reduce our many hours of work in the shipping season we have substantially removed our small bulbs and bulblets from retail sale. Where items have Net Prices we probably need all our small bulbs and bulblets for further propagation. Also, we have stipulated Minimum Orders to \$5.00, hoping to gain time.

We do not issue a fall list and we do not solicit "pre-catalog" orders. Most of them require later revision because of abandoned varieties and price reductions. We do recommend that you place your order soon after receipt of this Guidebook to avoid, in so far as it is possible, the disappointment of sold out items.

We are most generous with our extra bulb count or sampling of other varieties. See Terms of Sale.

Considerable explanatory data for new readers of our Guidebook necessarily must be repeated.

1958 SHOW

Ohio State Show, Higbee Auditorium, Cleveland, Aug. 18-19, will be the designated Eastern International N.A.G.C. Show, with 14 eastern states participat-

ing. Admission free. Indoor access direct from R.R. Terminal Tower Building on Public Square.

COLOR CHART

The mounted Fischer Color Chart (108 color blocks) is again available. Send \$2.25 to New England Gladiolus Society, 300 Massachusetts Ave., Boston 15, Mass. We no longer stock them.

CLASSIFICATION INDEX

A booklet of about 24 pages, identifying size, color, originator, year first available via U. S. price lists and number of days to bloom. About July 1st send 15 cents to North American Gladiolus Council, 820 Ontario St., Havre de Grace, Md. for latest edition.

CULTURAL BOOKLETS

Both the NEGS and the NAGC issue Cultural Booklets. Inquire of their respective secretaries for free copy, the former at Horticultural Hall, Boston 15, Mass. and the latter at 820 Ontario St., Havre de Grace, Md.

(A dime to help defray expenses undoubtedly would be appreciated.)

SOCIETY LITERATURE

In the U. S. there are 55 or more state and regional societies. About 35 in Canada.

The New England Gladiolus Society (NEGS) has about 40 affiliations and issues annually 4 magazines of some 70 pages each and a year book of about 220 pages. \$4.00 per year.

The North American Gladiolus Council (NAGC) has about 50 affiliations and issues four Bulletins of about 110 pages each. \$2.00 per year.

The Canadian Gladiolus Society (CGS) has about 35 affiliations and issues a 200 page annual especially valuable for its complete symposium of some 1000 varieties in odd years and a Recent variety symposium of some 6-800 varieties in even years. \$3.00 per year.

The Ohio State Gladiolus Society (OSGS) issues quarterly bulletins including its Test Garden Report (as successor to Valleevue) on gladiolus. \$1.00 per year. The Ohio Society is the only one of about 12 state societies currently issuing regular publications affiliated with all three above.

OSGS with NEGS \$4.50. OSGS with NAGC \$2.50, OSGS with CGS \$3.00. OSGS with NEGS and NAGC \$6.00. OSGS with NEGS and CGS \$6.50. OSGS with NAGC and CGS \$4.50. All four \$8.00, a savings of \$2.00 on the \$10.00 total involved if taken separately.

These various combinations are obtainable only through the Ohio society. Send your combination "subscription" to Joseph Hartman, secretary, Aurora, Ohio making checks or money orders payable to the Ohio State Gladiolus Society.

You also secure regular membership rights.

GLADIOLUS TRIALS 1957

OHIO STATE GLADIOLUS SOCIETY

This is the 15th year of the Gladiolus testing program directed by Thomas R. Manley, Horticulturist, sponsored and reported by the Ohio State Gladiolus Society since 1949.

During the last 6 years duplicate plantings were made in 2 states (3 in Vt. and Ohio, 3 in Pa. and Ohio), the Pa. tests at the farm of Mr. Manley, R. 1, Liverpool, Pa., the Ohio tests at the farm of H. O. Evans, Solon, Ohio.

Foreign entries continue to approximately equal those from America (U.S. and Canada). Over the last 8 year period the number reported out has been around 10-15% of the entries.

Interesting displays of bloom were made by the Ohio test program at the state show, Cleveland, the Chagrin Falls show, the R. I.-SDLG show and the Kittanning, Pa. show. The many Holland Butterfly type specimens again attracted much attention.

Those interested in submitting varieties for trial may contact Thomas R. Manley, P. O. Box 213, Selinsgrove, Pa. or H. O. Evans, Solon, Ohio, whichever location is more convenient for the sender. Twelve or more bulbs are requested. No fees are required.

Thomas E. Chorpenning, Editor
November 20, 1957

GLADIOLUS RATINGS

Data presented in order of listing

1. Name of variety.
2. Name of hybridizer.
3. Year of introduction in North America. If not introduced, the initials N.I. indicate the fact.
4. Color and size classification by North American Gladiolus Council standards.
5. Season of bloom. VE (very early) under 65 days; E (early) 65-75; EM (early mid-season) 75-85; M (mid-season) 85-95; LM (late mid-season) 95-100; L (late) over 100 days.
6. Flowerhead data: first figure represents number of open florets in field; second, buds in color; third, number of green buds; fourth, total buds, maximum bloom from the 12 or more bulbs grown.
7. Size of floret in inches.
8. Color value. Poor under 80; Fair 80-85; Good (having only minor color faults) 85-90; Excellent over 90; Perfect 100. A study of comparative ratings in the same color classification gives one a good conception of the value of these color ratings and the high degree of care used in judging color values.
9. Exhibition rating. AA—Superior; A—Excellent; B—Good; C—Fair; and D—Poor. Based on all qualities entering into production of prize winning blooms and giving proper consideration to the proportion of good exhibition bloom obtainable from the quantity grown.
10. Commercial rating. Indicated AA to D as above. The best Commercial gladiolus, commonly, is the best exhibition gladiolus which also has those characteristics enabling the commercial grower to maintain healthy stocks with easy propagation; one which blooms well from planting stock, has good placement and attachment, produces blooms at desired seasons, has sufficient length and bud count; cuts, keeps, ships and opens easily even though cut in tight bud. And above all it has that high degree of color value which moves the variety easier and at better price than others offered in the same color classification having inferior color value. On occasion, attractive form of floret assists in this respect.
11. A brief color description follows each variety.

OHIO STATE GLADIOLUS SOCIETY TRIALS, 1957

BEST GLADIOLUS IN THE TEST GARDENS—1957

NAME	Originator	Yr. Int.	Class	Season	Flowerhead	Size Inch	Color Value	Rating Exh. Com'l.
Ardent Song	De Be	N.I.	431	EM	10-7-2-19	5	84	B A
	Clean, creamy light salmon pink, spectacularly blotched scarlet. Tall, strong, formal spikes, wide, low foliage. Florets flare, recurve with ruffled edge. Excellent cut habits.							
Ares	K & M	54	307	E	9-7-5-21	4	85	A AA
	Amber toned cream, spectacularly blotched solid scarlet. Lightly ruffled. Tall, strong, shapely spikes. Superior habits.							
Blue Lou	K & M	N.I.	478	EM	7-6-7-20	5½	89	A B
	Clean, deep blue violet, small white dart on deeper lips. Smooth petals, flaring. Healthy.							
Butt 5092-A-2	Butt	N.I.	566	E	7-6-5-18	6½	88	A B
	Tall, giant ruffled lavender with an unmarked white throat. Reminiscent of Heirloom but earlier, bigger, taller with clear throat.							
Donald Duck	K & M	N.I.	307	VE	8-5-5-18	4	84	B B
	"Butterfly" type. Clear greenish cream with sharply contrasting solid clean scarlet throat.							
Elf	K & M	N.I.	330	EM	9-7-6-22	3½	82	B A
	"Butterfly" type. Tall, light apricot salmon with some scarlet dusting on yellow throat. Healthy, good habits.							
Flower Song	K & M	56	412	EM	6-6-6-18	5	88	B A
	Ruffled, deep yellow self. Commercial rating upgraded.							
Focus	De Be	57	433	VE	8-6-5-19	5	86	B A
	Medium-deep salmon, edged red-orange. Lip conspicuously marked by a large carmine area on a yellow base. Reverse of petals rose. Pactolus type of bloom. Healthy, fast propagator.							
Golden Fiction	Salman	N.I.	410	M	6-6-6-18	5½	87	B A
	Clean, medium-light yellow with ruffled and flaring petals, creased rib. Superior color value. Excellent health and habits.							
Golden Harvest	De Be	N.I.	412	M	7-6-5-18	5	86	B A
	Clean, very deep yellow. Smooth petals, tall spikes, excellent habits.							
Green Woodpecker	K & M	N.I.	305	E	7-7-7-21	4	90	A B
	Clear, cool, lime to lemon green, conspicuous wine red blotches on lower petals. No fading, whatever. Petals creased, fluted, with raised lip. Tall, strong, formal spikes, 24" to 30" heads, with other habits excellent. Texture extra.							
Inca	Kooy	57	554	L	7-6-4-17	6	87	A B
	Velvety, deep cardinal red, not far from blood red self, distinct silvery white line at edge of all petals which are wide, smooth, flaring.							
Melodie	K & M	55	331	EM	7-7-5-19	3½	86	B A
	Clean light salmon pink, bold orange-scarlet blotch, very spectacular. Ruffed, flaring, recurved. Habits excellent.							
Oscar	K & M	58	552	M	8-8-6-22	6½	85	A AA
	Commercial rating raised from A to AA. Powerful, tall plants, 30" flowerheads. Fast propagator, superior habits. Probably the best red ever to have been rated on this testing program.							
Palladium	Visser	N.I.	530	M	8-8-5-21	5½	87	A B
	Clean creamy salmon pink blending into deep cream throat. Florets flare, slight ruffling, ribs creased. Tall, strong, straight formal spikes, long heads.							
Party Ruffles	Rich	57	406	EM	8-7-5-20	5	87	A B
	Clean cream, blending deeper. Extreme ruffling, fluted and needlepoint.							
Rose Spire	Fischer	57	462	E	9-7-6-22	5	87	A AA
	Medium rose. Superior habits. Both exhibition and commercial ratings upgraded.							
Summer Fairy	K & M	57	333	E	9-6-6-21	3½	85	A A
	"Butterfly" type. Warrants up rating both Exhibition and Commercial.							
Topolino	K & M	57	313	EM	9-5-3-17	3½	87	A B
	"Butterfly" type. Pure, deep golden yellow with well defined large orange-scarlet blotch. Tall, shapely formal spikes, well ruffled.							
Violet Charm	Jack	53	477	M	10-7-3-20	4¾	86	A AA
	Performance since the '55 rating commands this Commercial AA rating.							
Walt Disney	K & M	N.I.	317	EM	8-6-4-18	3¾	87	A A
	"Butterfly" type. Clear, very light apricot, approaching cream, spectacularly marked with solid deep brownish red blotches on yellow base. All habits appear excellent.							

COLOR AND SIZE CLASSIFICATION

The color separations as adopted by the North American Gladiolus Council in 1946 was last revised in 1952.

So we brief them here because it will enable you to make judicious use of our method of cataloging varieties in their own color groups where the variety descriptions and prices may be readily compared. Ever since our first catalog in 1929 we have done so and the trend in this direction is increasing.

This brief will also give you a rather complete understanding of any gladiolus show you may visit in the U. S.

SIZES

Giant	500 series	5½ inches and up
Large	400 series	4½ to 5½
Medium	300 series	3½ to 4½
Small	200 series	2½ to 3½
Miniature	100 series	under 2½

Thus the first digit of the 3 digit number indicates the size range of the floret of the gladiolus in question.

SIZE OF BULB TO BUY

If economy be the aim, do not rely on small bulbs to give wholly satisfactory blooms. The small bulbs will all bloom but medium bulbs almost always give far better than "medium" sized spikes of the given variety. Our descriptions usually indicate whether or not the variety is an exceptionally fine producer of blooms from the smaller sizes.

Commercially, bulbs are graded into 6 sizes. Size 6 is under ½ inch diameter and other sizes range up to every ¼ inch, the number 1 bulb being 1½ inch up. Catalogs commonly offer bulbs as L (large) (sizes 1 and 2) (1½ inch up); M (medium) (sizes 3 and 4) (¾ to 1½ inch); S (small) (sizes 5 and 6) (¼ to ¾ inch) and Blts. (bulblets, the little hard shelled cormels which cling at the roots of the bulb).

COLOR SEPARATIONS

These are the 2nd and 3rd digits of the 3 digit numbers. The first of these represents the color group. The second denotes the depth of color within the group. If the color is without conspicuous marking this last number will be even. If the color has conspicuous marking the next higher odd number will be used. The color variations refer to the revised Fischer Color Chart.

00 White	00 (without conspicuous marking)	
	01 (with, etc.)	
Cream	06 paler than Y6 and GY6	
10 Yellow	10 Light. (Y5-6)	
	12 Deep. (Y2-3-4)	
Buff	16	(0Y6, Y06 and paler)
20 Orange	20 Light.	(05-6, Y05 and paler)
	22 Deep.	(0Y2-3-4, Y03-4, 02-3-4-5)
	24 Red O.	(R02-3)
30 Salmon	30 Light.	(R05-6 and paler)
	32 Deep.	(0R5-6, R04)
36 Scarlet	36	(0R3-4)

40 Pink	40	Light.	(Paler than R6)
	42	Med.	(R6)
	44	Deep.	(R5)
50 Red	50	Light.	(R4)
	52	Deep.	(R3)
	54	Black.	(R1-2, 0R1-2)
60 Rose	60	Light.	(Nearest R5-6 trace of V)
	62	Med.	(Nearest R4 trace of V)
	64	Deep.	(Nearest R3 trace of V)
66 Lav.	66	Light.	(VR5-6, RV5-6)
	68	Deep.	(VR3-4, RV3-4)
70 Purple	70		(RV1-2, VR1-2)
76 Violet	76	Light.	(V4-5-6, BV4-5-6)
	78	Deep.	(V1-2-3, BV1-2-3)
80 Smoky	80	Containing gray. (Can subdivide)	
	82	(Orange smoky)	
	83	(Salmon smoky)	
	84	(Pink smoky)	
	85	(Red smoky)	
	86	(Lavender or rose smoky)	
90 Any other color.	(mostly brown shades)		

Glads now readily fall into place. The giant, unmarked white Strathnaver is 500. Boldface 533 being a giant deep salmon and blotched. Kittyhawk 366 being a medium sized lavender, etc.

TERMS OF SALE

CASH WITH ORDER. Ohio customers kindly add the 3% state sales tax now in effect on sales of gladiolus bulbs and bulblets.

MINIMUM ORDER \$5. This restriction and the omission of prices on small bulbs and bulblets of inexpensive varieties is to gain time to prevent delivery pile-up.

POSTAGE PREPAID (but see below). However, if you estimate the postage cost of your package and add it to your remittance, we will add samples of new varieties to a value beyond your reasonable expectation.

You may have 3 to 5 or more bulbs or bulblets at the 10 rate which is 8 times the each rate. (Thus a \$1.00 bulb reduces to 80¢ in lots of 3-10).

25 bulbs or bulblets may be had at the 100 rate. (Thus, blts. at \$1.00 per 100 may be had 25 for 25¢).

Current year items and a limited few other very scarce items are designated "NET PRICES". To these the above reductions do not apply.

You are often likely to receive sizes 2-3 instead of sizes 3-4 for "medium" as stocks permit.

DELIVERY prepaid in U. S. only, normally beginning early March, when postal shipments of perishables become safe. Deliveries requested before that time may be made by express, transportation charges collect, at our option, governed largely by weather and package size.

MINIMUM PURCHASES. In shipping season time is a major problem. To gain time in this rush season some minimum amount items appear in our General List such as 2/.25 (2 for 25¢) or 3/.30 (3 for 30¢), etc.

Our plants are state inspected late in the growing season and our bulbs in storage around March 1st. Further, we examine every bulb at time of putting up

order, all of which pays off with sound bulbs, fit to plant "as is".

Replacement or refund purchase price any bulb, root, plant or seed that does not prove true to name or does not arrive in condition herein represented. Bulblet and seed germination are not guaranteed.

No substitutions will be made.

Orders received until planting but subject to stock being unsold. To get proper propagation of new sorts, it does not pay us to hold for further sale bulbs and blts priced only per each beyond May 1st. Order early. Our selling season is very short. Remember we deal in many items in negligible U. S. supply. In some instances we have the only American grown stocks on the continent and late buyers of such items may have to be satisfied with "sold out" information and refund of their cash.

Notice to Canadian Customers

Apply to the Division of Plant Protection, Science Service, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada for permit and mailing label, for bulbs and bulblets. No permit required for seeds.

Parcels of 5 pounds or more may be shipped by express, transportation charges collect, at our option.

Bulbs and bulblets priced per each. 10 sold at 8 times each rate.

3, 5 or more sold at this 10 rate. Bulblets 25 at 100 rate.

10 Rate does not apply to items priced "NET".

NEWCOMERS TO OUR LIST

See "Terms of Sale"

NOTE: For key to Series—size and color classifications, see Page 6.

Vv (Valleevue), Ohio, Ohio-Vv, Ohio-Vt. used interchangeably because in all cases the ratings are based 100% on the judging of the same group of Ohio society judges.

Group inch listings are height of plant (as 55"), length of flowerhead (as 22"), diameter of floret (as 5").

A.M. (Award of Merit). F.C.C. (First Class Certificate).

For further abbreviations used in these descriptions see the Data next preceding the tabulated report of the test garden trials on page 4.

Import release—first U. S. retail catalog listing of a foreign variety, usually grown here 1-2 years before release.

454 BLACK JACK (K & M '58) (our '58 co-introduction).

Ohio-Pa. ratings: EM. 55", 24", 5", 8-5-3-16, 87-A-B. Deep brown-red with velvety shine, almost black, a self of good color value. Sturdy spikes.

Since this conservative commercial rating of '55, this variety has proved to be a superior cut flower worthy of an A rating, with vigorous propagation, exceptional health, substance, etc.

Each L .40 (3/\$1.) M .30 (3/.75) S .20 (3/.50) Blts 100/\$3.

471 EMPEROR, "All America Gladiolus Selection." Patented.(Baerman-Fischer)

'58. Midseason. Straight, robust spikes, 60-65" tall, with long heads, 8-7-6-21 buds. Color light purple, with well defined white throat, extending along ribs. The right to reproduce the All-America varieties for resale purposes or to sell cut flowers is reserved by patent owner. Net Prices, Large bulbs only. Each .50 (6/\$2.50) in lots of 6 or multiples, any combination among the 3 Pat. varieties

offered may be selected. See Apple-blossom and Maytime.

552 OSCAR (K & M '58) (our '58 co-introduction).

Ohio-Pa. ratings: Clean, velvety deep red (approaching black red). Deep in throat a peppering of cream extending as a cream line on lip petals. Wide petals, flaring florets, 9-12 bud color before first opens. Strong, "whopper" formal spikes, 65" height, 30" heads. Healthy. Blackest bulbs yet seen. Fast propagator, superior habits. Probably the best red ever to have been rated on this testing program. M, 8-8-6-22, 6 1/4", 85-A-AA.

Two years experience with large bulbs give reasonable expectation of over 50 large bulblets per bulb. Bulblet growth is very vigorous, producing sizes well above average. We can supply quite a few large bulbs or medium from bulblets, if so desired for propagation purposes. They should prove a good investment, especially to commercial growers. Net Prices Each L or M \$7.

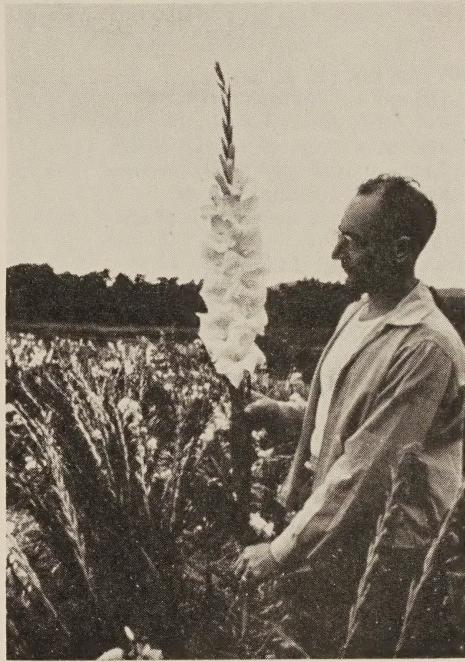
Bulbs and bulblets priced per each. 10 sold at 8 times each rate.

3, 5 or more sold at this 10 rate. Bulblets 25 at 100 rate.

10 Rate does not apply to items priced "NET".



POLAR BEAR
in Ohio test garden



POLAR BEAR
held by Tom Manley
in Pa. test garden

500 POLAR BEAR (Evans) (our '58 introduction).

Ohio-Pa. ratings: M. 9-9-9-27, 6", 93-AA-B. Pure white self, petals somewhat needlepoint, smooth and recurved. Tall, strong, 60" straight spikes of remarkable substance and placement. 30" flowerheads, long lasting.

A 10-10-10-30 spike has been grown by the Schrimpf brothers of Wisconsin. Its short seedling history: Six Seedling Champs. Two Grand Champs of Show ('54 and '57 Ohio R. I.-Sdlg. shows). One 3-spike entry, Ohio state show, Cleveland, '55, collected 14 separate awards, far surpassing all known records (9) for a single entry, among them Champion Seedling, Grand Champ 3-spike of the show, American Home Achievement Medal, Ohio Society Award of Merit, two Trophies, 4 Rosettes (2 Ohio, 2 NEGS), Most Buds

and Bloom, and several qualifying awards.

In an area where many have seen its blooms in shows and test garden, a large bulb brought \$16, in the last Ohio society bulb auction.

See illustrations.

Net Prices Each L or M \$5.

410 YELLOW TRIUMPH (Wigchert) (our '58 import release).

Ohio-Pa. ratings:

Clean straw yellow, blending deeper on lip petal. Consistently makes flawless super formal spikes, top and bottom, with a perfection of taper that should catch the eye of any exhibition judge. Florets often 100% inverted. Strong stems, 58-66" height, 28-30" heads. Propagation not fast but good. LM, 8-7-5-20, 5 1/4", 88-AA-A.

See illustration on front cover.

Net Prices Each M .75.

SMALL AND BUTTERFLY VARIETIES

307 ARES (K & M) '54.

Ohio-Pa. ratings: E. 52", 26", 4", 9-7-5-21, 85-A-AA. Amber toned cream, spectacularly blotched solid scarlet. Lightly ruffled. Tall, strong, shapely spikes. Superior habits. Definitely a potential champion, 5 in '57.
Each L .25 (3/.60).

331 ATTICA (K & M) (our '55 import release).

Ohio-Vt. ratings: M. 55", 26", 4", 8-8-6-20, 87-A-B. Light salmon, blending deeper to margin. Prominent, deep yellow throat.

The commercial rating should be upgraded.

Each L .30 (3/.75) M .20 (3/.50).

341 FEMINA (K & M) (our '56 U. S. introduction.)

Ohio-Pa. ratings: E. 48", 26", 3½", 86-A-B. Clean light lilac pink, large, solid fiery scarlet throat, bordered cream. Slight ruffling, slight face-up. Flaring petals, recurved, spectacular. Each L .30 (3/.75) M .20 (3/.50).

323 GIPSY LOVE (Zigeuner Liebe) (K & M '56) (our '56 co-introduction).

Ohio-Vt. ratings: M. 56", 22", 3½-4", 8-7-7-22, 87-A-A. Brown toned orange, vivid tangerine blotch. Wiry, straight and strong. Substance excellent. Fast propagator.

Each L .30 (3/.75) M .20 (3/.50).

210 GREEN THUMB (Butt) (our '56 co-introduction).

Ohio-Pa. ratings: VE. Clear, medium-light yellow, a green toned yellow self. Ruffled and fluted. Statuette form but with clear throat. Excellent habits. Extremely early.

50", 20", 3", 6-7-4-17, 88-A-A.

Has won approval also in trial grounds in Canada and England.

Each L .50 (3/\$1.20) M .35 (3/.80) S .20 (3/.45) Blts 100/\$2.

331 MELODIE (K & M '54) (U. S. '55).

Ohio-Pa. ratings: EM. 55", 26", 3½", 7-7-5-19, 86-B-A.

Clean light salmon pink, bold orange-scarlet blotch, very spectacular. Ruffled, flaring, recurved. Habits excellent. Each L .30 (3/.75) M .20 (3/.50).

200 POLAR CUB (Evans) (our '53 introduction).

Ohio-Vv ratings: 50-55", 26-32", 2½-3", 12-10-4-26, 90-A-B. Pure, unmarked creamy white. Slightly ruffled and recurved. Many open on well balanced, straight, strong formal spikes.

Many section and miniature champs. Has habit of topping symposiums for best Exh. White Miniatures, including the last 3 years, N.A.G.C.

We have never been able to supply the demand. Medium bulbs make 50" plants. See illustration, page 2.

Net Prices, Each L .50 M .30.

336 RENDEZ-VOUS (K & M) (our '57 U. S. introduction).

Our ratings: VE. Butterfly type. Clean scarlet, deeper on lips and along midribs. Extra tall, wiry, straight and strong spikes. Ruffled and recurved. All of the K & M Butterflies are good to rapid propagators and are ideal for floral work and table decoration and for their irresistible color combinations. 54", 24", 3¾", 84-B-B. A.M. Haarlem. Each L .30 (3/.75) M .20 (3/.50).

333 SUMMER FAIRY (K & M) (our '57 co-introduction). Early.

Ohio-Pa. ratings: 50", 24", 3½", 9-6-6-21, 85-A-A. Clean, deep apricot salmon, solid mahogany brown on yellow base throat. Raised ribs slightly lighter. Recurved, needlepoint.

Another very attractive example of the sensational Butterfly Type. Good habits. Spectacular contrasts.

Net Prices Each L \$1. M .65.

313 TOPOLINO (K & M '57) (our '57 co-introduction).

Ohio-Pa. ratings: EM. 56", 26", 3½", 9-5-3-17, 87-A-B. "Butterfly" type, well ruffled. Pure, deep golden yellow with well defined, large orange-scarlet blotch. Tall, shapely formal spikes.

Very healthy plants and bulbs.

Net Prices Each L \$1. M .65.

Bulbs and bulblets priced per each. 10 sold at 8 times each rate.

3, 5 or more sold at this 10 rate. Bulblets 25 at 100 rate.

10 Rate does not apply to items priced "NET".

GENERAL PRICE LIST

516 A. B. COUTTS (R. D. Coutts) (Coutts-Evans '53 co-introduction).

Ohio-Pa. ratings: LM. 60", 34½", 6¼", 9-8-7-24, 90-A-AA. Huge peachy buff with deep yellow throat, frosty appearance. Exceptional disease resistance. Good propagator, superior habits. Many show champs and now widely grown commercially, and improving with age. An outstanding all-purpose bargain.

See illustration on page 15.

Prices L (2/.30) (5/.60) M (3/.25) (10/.80) S (10/.50) Blts 100/.50.

400 ANTARCTIC (K & M '57) (our '57 co-introduction).

Ohio-Pa. ratings: EM. 56", 28", 5", 9-7-3-19, 90-A-A.

Ruffled, pure white with faint trace of cream in throat. Uniform, straight and strong spikes of excellent substance with super formal placement. Later blooming splits equally good. Since the rating, with acclimated bulbs, one spike 9-9-7-25 and others with 23 and 24 buds. A.M., Wisley and F.C.C., Haarlem.

A sell-out before catalog issue.

Net Prices. No L. #4 Medium, Each .35
S .25.

460 APPLEBLOSSOM (All America Gladiolus Selection). Plant Patent applied for. (Baerman-Fischer) '56. Very early.

Ohio-Vt. ratings: Crisp, frosty white with a lavender-rose halo or edging. Strong wiry stems, informal placement, good substance, prolific.

57", 28", 4¾", 8-8-6-22, 85-A-A.
Was 60" in Vt. and bloomed in 53 days in Ohio.

The right to reproduce the All-America varieties for resale purposes or to sell cut flowers is reserved by patent owner. Net Prices, Large bulbs only. Each .50 (6/\$2.50) in any proportion of the 3 Pat. varieties offered.

477 BLUE GODDESS (K & M) (our '56 U. S. introduction). EM.

Ohio-Pa. ratings: Medium-light blue. Clearest blue yet introduced, every spike perfect, no fade or burn. Throat is deeper, also slightly deeper blend to edge. Wide petals, florets flare, recurved. Uniform spikes, wiry stems, strong and straight, perfectly placed. Good bulblet producer.

57", 27", 4¾", 8-8-3-19, 88-A-A.

See illustration on page 16.

Our stocks are limited.

Each L .60 M .40.

533 BOLDFACE (Evans '47). M. Color is brilliant and very attractive. Very deep salmon pink (close to a pinkish scarlet) with an almost black red brush on clean white throat, very spectacularly blotched. Ruffled florets that run a bit over 5½ inches. Opens up to 8 in field, 9-11 when cut, 20-21 buds. Plant growth is vigorous.

Now a world-wide best seller.

Grown widely for cut flowers and a "sell-out" in L and M sizes for years. We hope our L bulb supply will equal demand.

The Ohio-Vv rating of 92-AA-AA, one of but 9 receiving AA-AA on the testing program, is still well deserved.

See illustration on page 16.

Prices L (2/.30) (10/\$1.20).

466 CAMPANILE (Fischer) '56.

Ohio-Vt. ratings: LM. 68", 28-30", 4¾", 7-7-7-21, 88-A-A. Pale clean lavender with sharply defined creamy white throat and ribs. Vigorous, healthy.

Each L .30 (3/.70) M .20 (3/.45).

312 CATHERINE BEATH (Coutts-Evans '51). LM. Very clean and deep yellow. Color rating 94. Excellent commercial, rated A. Superior exhibition use rating, AA. Like Luxury, Boldface and Mid-America it tops its color class for Valleeveue color ratings. Spikes stand strong and wiry, 55 inches, opening 9-6-6-21 with ease, always well placed. Good propagator, though not "fast".

Plants and bulbs maintain wonderful health. Florets resist soggy weather. Top rated deep yellow exh. variety in '56 and '57 NAGC Symposia. Numerous section and division championships, two color championships, rated 88 by Canadian Growers Club testing program.

Valleeveue (Vv) ratings: 94-AA-A.

Prices L 2/.30 (5/.60) M (5/.40) Blts (100/.50).

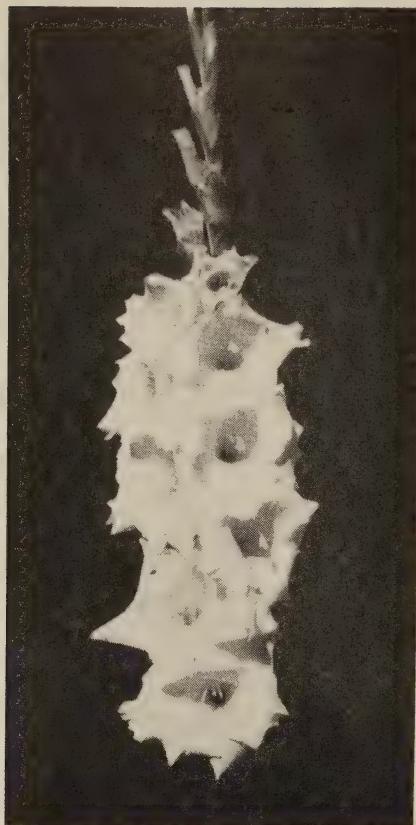
540 ETHEREAL (Burns) '52. M.

Ohio-Vt. ratings: Clear, very light cool pink, cream blend in throat. Huge flaring round florets, wide smooth petals, recurved. Tall strong plants, many open. High color value.

66", 36", 6", 8-7-5-20, 90-A-B.

Makes what we call "whopper spikes" with ease. A court of honor, grand champion contender, 3 noted in '57.

Each L .35 (3/.85). Supply limited.



FULDA

431 FATA MORGANA (K & M '56) (our '55 introduction). EM.

Bright, peachy salmon pink, occasionally with some deeper feathering to edge with sharply contrasting, clean deep amber lip petals. Creamy rib on all but lip petals. Ruffled.

Outstanding color harmony, good com'l habits, 55", 24", 4½", 10-7-3-20, Ohio-Vt. test ratings 88-A-B.

A.M., Haarlem.

Each L .35 (3/.85) M .25 (3/.60).

412 FLOWERSONG (K & M) '56.

Ohio-Pa. ratings: EM. 52", 26", 5", 7-6-5-18, 88-B-A. Lightly ruffled, clear deep yellow self, beautifully formed, perfectly placed, very healthy texture, opens slowly to tip when cut in bud. Both bulb and plant health and propagation are obviously outstanding.

F.C.C. by R.H.S., Wisley Trial Gardens, England.

Each L .50 (3/\$1.20) M .35 (3/.80)
S .20 (3/.45) Blts (100/\$2.).

479 FLYING DUTCHMAN (Salman) (our '56 U. S. introduction).

Ohio-Vt. ratings: M. Tall, medium-deep blue violet with black-red line and pepper on all petals. Unusual color combination suggestive of a slash of ink. Flat, flaring petals.

58", 28", 5", 5-5-10-20, 84-B-B.

Since above rating we have had many spikes open 7 and 8 in the field. Habits reasonably good, including propagation. Each L .40 (3/.90) M .30 (3/.75) Blts (100/\$1.).

433 FOCUS (DeBe) (our '57 U. S. introduction). VE.

Ohio-Pa. ratings: Medium-deep salmon, edged red-orange. Lip conspicuously marked by a large carmine area on a yellow base. Reverse of petals rose. Paeonias type of bloom. Healthy, fast propagator. 53", 26", 5", 8-6-5-19, 86-B-A.

Each L .30 (3/.75) M .20 (3/.50).

410 FULDA (K & M '56) (our '56 co-introduction).

Ohio-Pa. ratings: E. Excellent commercial light yellow self, all the traits necessary for a cut flower. Creased and ruffled, wide petals, recurved. Uniform, straight spikes, 8-10 open. Fast propagator. VE. Can bud color 16 before 1st opens. Com'l rating revised.

57", 25", 5", 10-7-3-20, 88-A-AA.

In our opinion, an outstanding bargain. See illustration.

Medium bulbs only, Ea. M .25 (3/.60).

554 INCA (Kooy) (our '57 U. S. introduction). Note change 552 to 554.

Ohio-Pa. ratings: L. 52", 24", 6", 7-6-3-16, 87-A-B.

Has outstanding color. Velvety, deep cardinal red, not far from blood red self, with a distinct silvery white line at the edge of all petals, which are wide, smooth and flaring.

See illustration on page 14.

Each L .35 (3/.85) M .25 (3/.60).

440 INNOCENCE (Fischer) (our '57 co-introduction).

Ohio-Pa. ratings: EM to M. Palest pink, blending into clean, creamy white throat. Excellent color, extra under rear highlighting. Well ruffled. Tall plants, informal heads up to 35 inches.

57", 35", 5", 8-8-6-22, 89-A-A.

Can bud color 9 before 1st opens. Florets are of good substance and long lasting. Spikes are wiry and strong and the variety is an exceptionally good bloomer from both medium and small bulbs. Very fast propagator.

Each L or M .50 (3/\$1.20).

452 INSURPASSABLE (Salmon) (our '55 U. S. introduction). VE.

Ohio-Pa. revised ratings: Clean vivid deep red, throat approaching black red, $\frac{1}{8}$ inch cream pencil on lip petals. Excellent commercial spikes, wiry, extremely strong and tall from all size bulbs, flat flaring florets. Ideal cut flower traits. No crooks, no bends, none over though left to remain, uncut. 8-10 bud color on most before 1st floret opens. Note new commercial rating. 60-66", 27", 5", VE, 10-6-4-20, 86-A-AA. Now has F.C.C., Haarlem.

Was 65 days in '53, 75 in '54 and 58 in '55.

Each L .35 (3/.85) M .25 (3/.60).

562 KEUKENHOF (Visser) (our '55 import release). LM. Clean orchid lavender-rose, blending deeper to edge, white mid-rib, cream throat. No fleck or feather. Florets flare, recurved, slightly ruffled at edge, $5\frac{1}{2}$ -6 inches, 58 inch height, 10-7-4-21 bud spikes.

Ohio-Pa. revised ratings: 88-A-A. Time and experience with quality stock has proven health, cut habits and good propagation.

Each L .30 (3/.75) M .20 (3/.50).

533 KOSMOS (K & M '56) (our '56 co-introduction).

Ohio-Pa. ratings: EM. Clean deep orange salmon, clean deep yellow throat and mid-ribs. Immense flowerheads on tall strong stems. Excellent substance. Produces uniform "knockout" spikes. Vigorous propagator.

'56 revision of Ohio-Pa. ratings:

533, 58", 28", $6\frac{1}{2}$ ", 9-7-6-22, 88-AA-AA. The AA-AA rating awarded by the Ohio testing program, the first since 1949, from our experience appears completely justified.

See illustration.

Each L .75 M .50 S .25 Blts (10/.75).

455 LA CORUNA (K & M) (our '57 U. S. introduction). Not yet formally introduced by K & M.

Ohio-Pa. ratings: M. Clean, velvety, extremely black red self, but with a sharply defined $\frac{1}{8}$ " clean, purest white line extending on lower three petals. Tall, strong spikes, carrying 27" heads. 56", 27", $5\frac{1}{4}$ ", 7-8-7-22, 87-A-B.

Net Prices Each L .75 M .50. Limit, 5 bulbs.



KOSMOS

300 L'ESPÉRANCE (K & M) (our '54 co-introduction). M.

Ohio-Vt. ratings: Clean, purest white of great substance, tall grower, excellent commercial.

60", 27", $4\frac{1}{4}$ ", 9-6-7-22, 90-B-A.

F.C.C., Haarlem. Supply limited.

Each L .40 (3/.90) M .25 (3/.60).

506 LORELEI (Howell) (Our '55 co-introduction). M. Heavily ruffled and creased light cream with deeper throat. Cream buds. 58 inches height, $5-5\frac{1}{2}$ inch florets, 24-29 inch heads. Fast propagator.

Ohio-Vt. ratings: 10-4-3-17, 87-A-B. Top rated cream both Exh. and Com'l in the NAGC '57 symposiums.

Each L .40 M .30 S .20 Blts 100/\$1.50.



INCA

477 MAJOLICA (Pfitzer) (our '56 U. S. introduction). E.

Ohio-Pa. ratings: Very light tint of procelain blue with harmonious solid deep blue violet throat. High color value. Wide, flat petals.

60", 28", 5 1/4", 5-6-6-17, 91-A-B.
The beautiful color is an absolutely clean, very light tint of blue, approaching white, with sharply defined (no blend), solid deep throat mark. A real beauty. Six open have been had on the plant but so far five have been normal. Fine propagator.

A.M., Haarlem.

Each L \$1. M .75 S .50 Blts 5/.50.

443 MAYTIME (Baerman-Fischer) (our '57 co-introduction) All America Gladiolus Selection. Pat. Early.

Ohio-Pa. ratings:

Medium-deep pink that resists feathering, with large creamy white area in throat and extending a pointed line along each petal. Slight ruffling at edge. Tall spikes, heads up to 30". Early. 56-60", 26-30", 5 1/4", 8-7-7-22, 86-A-A.

The right to reproduce the All America varieties for resale purposes or to sell cut flowers is reserved.

Net Prices Each .50 (6/\$2.50 in any combination among the 3 Pat. varieties offered).

550 MID-AMERICA (Knierim) (our '47 introduction).

Ohio-Vv ratings: M. 65", 33-36", 7", 9-9-8-26, 90-A-A. Bright light red, unmarked. Immense, tall, straight spikes. Fast propagator, many bulblets bloom. It has just about smothered all opposition in the shows. Every year grand champs, reserve champs, longest flower-heads, largest floret, etc., too numerous to detail.

L (2/.30) (10/1.20) M (3/.30) (10/.80).

421 OPERA (K & M) (our '57 U. S. introduction). Not yet offered in their catalog.

Ohio-Vt. rating: M. Clean, vivid metallic orange, not quite as deep as tangerine. Prominent, clean yellow throat. Truly superb color value. Lower range of 400 size, 4 1/2", medium tall, 47", heads 25", can open 11 on 20 bud spikes. 89-B-B.

Net Prices Each L (mostly #2) .35 M .25.

466 PRESTO (K & M) (our '57 U. S. introduction).

Ohio-Pa. ratings: E. Medium depth, orchid toned lavender, blending into a lighter throat, carrying a few faint lines, dusted grayish lavender. A superior color for arrangements and com'l use. 48", 22-24", 4 1/2", 7-5-5-17, 87-B-B. Each L \$1. M .75. Supply limited.

524 QUEEN JULIANA (de Bruyn) (our '54 import release). LM. Tall 68-inch scarlet orange, slightly deeper in throat. Wide petalled 7-inch florets 8-8-4-20. "Whopper" spikes of great vigor, long, strong stems. Good propagation.

Ohio-Vt. ratings: 84-B-B.
Each L .30 (3/.75).

452 RED PEPPER (K & M) (our '54 U. S. introduction).

Ohio-Vt. ratings: M. Clean, brilliant deep red about the color of the red pepper fruit, close to that of Harrisburger. Throat is slightly deeper, almost a self. Tall and strong.

58", 26", 5 1/4", 8-6-4-18, 87-A-A.

Color Champion, Ohio, Chagrin Falls show, '55.

A.M., Haarlem.

Each L .40 (3/.90) M .30 (3/.70) S .20 (10/\$1.50) Blts 100/\$2.

462 ROSE SPIRE (Fischer) (our '57 co-introduction). (Patent pending).

Ohio-Pa. revised ratings: E. 58", 28", 5", 9-7-6-22, 87-A-AA. Medium rose, lavender toned, blending into pale cream throat. Superior habits.

The excellent color resists feathering. Tall, strong, stretchy spikes with long flowerheads. Marketable spikes from #5 bulbs. Its ability to open from rather tight bud spikes apparently will command the attention of Fla. growers as soon as quantity stocks are available.

Prices Each, L or M .50 (5/\$2.).

578 SALMAN'S SENSATION (Salman) (our '53 U. S. introduction).

Ohio-Vt. ratings: LM. 70", 28-30", 7", 6-6-18, 87-A-A.

Clean, medium-deep blue violet with deeper throat. Tallest, largest blue in existence.

Strong, healthy plants and bulbs. Tops NAGC symposiums, both Exh. and Com'l for deep violet, '57.

Each L .20 (3/.45) M (2/.30) (5/.60).

436 SANS SOUCI (K & M '51) (our '51 co-introduction).

Ohio-Vv ratings: M. 60", 28", 5", 8-8-3-19, 89-A-A. Very rich, glowing scarlet with a narrow creamy white pencil on lip petal.

The color glows with metallic lustre. Without benefit of deserved upgrading the variety is now recognized, world wide, as a superior com'l A-A quality without peer in the scarlets.

Prices L (2/.25) (5/.50) M (5/.35).

416 SIEGLINDE (K & M) '55 LM.

Ohio-Pa. ratings: Clear light flashing apricot, blending into glistening golden yellow throat. Barely into the 400 size range. Very tall, strong spikes, always straight. Heavy texture, fast propagation.

60", 26", 4½", 8-6-5-19 ('55 test), 87-B-B. Opens 10 easily when cut.

A.M., Haarlem.

Net Prices, M only .50 (3/1.25) Blts 10/.40.



AUBREY COUTTS

400 SIERRA SNOW (Harris) '51.

Ohio-Vv ratings: EM. 58-60", 30", 5", 10-6-5-21, 87-A-A.

Ruffled white, blending into cream throat. Slight pinkish line on lip petal. Many open, long flowerheads. Can open 12.

A real champion contender and the com'l growers have come to appreciate its worth. Now leads for best exh. var., 3-4-500 series, '57 NAGC Exh. symposium.

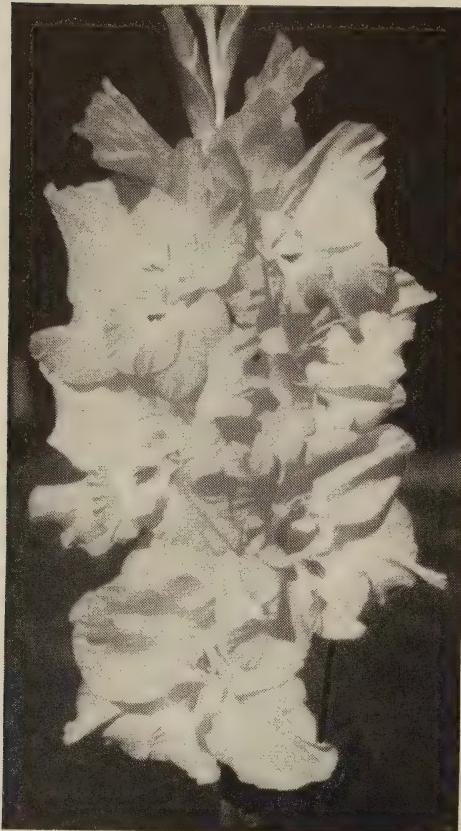
L (2/.30) (10/\$1.20).

500 SNOWCLAD (Harris) '53. EM.

Ohio-Vv ratings: Tall, clean white with greenish cream throat. Long stems, stately heads.

66", 28", 5", 8-8-4-20, 86-A-A.

Each L .25 (3/.60) M (2/.30) (5/.60).



BOLDFACE



BLUE GODDESS

367 VENUS (Salman) '55.

Our ratings:

Makes beautiful spikes of the Violet Charm type, smaller scale.

Medium-light lavender, somewhat blue toned. Spectacularly marked with a heavy purple brush on a lighter lavender throat. Occasional bit of deeper feathering at edge. Wiry, straight and strong spikes with uniformly excellent placement and taper.

56", 27", 4", E., 8-6-4-18, 86-B-B.

Each L .35 (3/.90) M .25 (3/.60).

477 VIOLET CHARM (Jack) '53. M.

Ohio-Pa. ratings: Pale blue violet, broad, deep blue violet arrow on cream in throat. Makes well placed, long heads. Good habits.

60", 32", 4¾", 10-7-3-20, 86-A-AA.

Tops light violet, NAGC '57 symposiums, both Exh. and Com'l.

Prices L .20 (3/.45) M (2/.30) (5/.60).

478 WEDGEWOOD (K & M) (our '52 U. S. introduction). (Note this is not Fischer's "Wedgwood", 366).

About as close to true blue as we have found in gladiolus. Deep and lively with a small white dart. 90 color value. Tall spikes, healthy plants and bulbs. Have oversold L and M bulbs for years.

Ohio-Vv ratings, '49 report, awarded B-B.

Net Prices L .40 M .30.

462 WILD ROSE (Fischer) '55.

Ohio-Pa. ratings: EM. 56", 26", 5¼", 7-6-6-19, 85-B-B.

Medium-deep rose, some deeper feathering, cream throat and midribs. Attractive spikes on wiry stems.

Color is deeper than that of Rose Spire.

Each L .25 (3/.60) M (2/.30) (5/.60).

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